

ARCHIBALD GAMBLE

JANUARY 10, 1832.

Mr. CAVE JOHNSON, from the Committee on Private Land Claims, made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Private Land Claims, to which was referred the petition of Archibald Gamble, report:

That the petitioner claims a tract of land in Missouri, of four hundred and eighty acres, by virtue of a New Madrid certificate issued under the act of 1817, and numbered 333, issued to John B. Thibault; and that the same was located on the southwest fractional quarter of section twenty-two, which is not embraced by Robert Simpson's location, dated May the seventh, 1818; the southeast fractional quarter of the same section, the northwest fractional quarter of section twenty-seven, and so much off the north part of the eastern half of the same section, as would make the quantity of four hundred and eighty acres in township No. 46, range 6, east of the fifth principal meridian. Petitioner also alleges, that, at the fall sales in Missouri, in 1823, the officers of the United States sold the said lands, owing to an omission, on the part of the surveyor, to designate said claim on the plat returned by him to the Recorder and Register, and that the same land has been patented by the United States to the second purchaser; and prays for leave to enter the same quantity of land on other public lands of the United States.

The statements in the petition are supported by the letter of the land commissioner, and the certified copy of the entry which accompanies, and is made a part of this report.

The committee, therefore, report a bill for his relief.

GENERAL LAND OFFICE,

9th January, 1832.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant, and return the statement of Mr. Christy therein enclosed.

By the plat of township 46 north range 6 east, returned to this office by the surveyor general, it appears that the northwest fractional quarter of section 27, and all of the south fractional half of section 22, with the exception of a piece containing $54\frac{3.5}{100}$ acres, in the northwest corner of that fractional half section, have been located by a New Madrid certificate, numbered

333, in favor of J. B. Thibault; and, from the returns of the land officers at St. Louis, it appears that the northwest fractional quarter of 27, was sold to Henry Walton on the twenty-sixth of November, 1823, as containing $129\frac{7\frac{1}{10}}{100}$ acres; and the whole of the south fractional half of section 22, was sold on the 4th of November, 1823, to John Walton, as containing $299\frac{6\frac{2}{10}}{100}$ acres.

I am, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

ELIJAH HAYWARD.

The Hon. W. H. ASHLEY,
House of Representatives.

16th May, 1818.

Thomas Hempstead, and Charles S. Hempstead, as the legal representatives of John Baptiste Thibault, locate four hundred and eighty acres of land, by virtue of a certificate, No. 333, issued by Frederick Bates, Esq. dated St. Louis, September 26th, 1817, to wit: the southwest fractional quarter of section twenty-two, which is not embraced by Robert Simpson's location, dated the seventh day of this same month; the southeast fractional quarter of the same section, the northwest fractional quarter of section twenty-seven, and so much off from the north part of the eastern half of the same section twenty-seven, as will make the quantity; the said sections being in township forty-six, north of the base line, and range six, east of the fifth principal meridian.

JOSEPH C. BROWN,

for

THOMAS HEMPSTEAD, and
CHARLES S. HEMPSTEAD.

SURVEYOR'S OFFICE,

St. Louis, 24th November, 1830.

The above is a correct copy of the original notice of location, (which is on file in this office,) of four hundred and eighty acres of land, under the New Madrid certificate, (No. 333,) in the name of "John B. Thibault," or his legal representatives.

W. M'REE,

Surveyor of Public Lands.